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#### **Web Site**

**USC Memory and Aging Center [1]** 

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University of Southern California, Los Angeles 1520 San Pablo Street, Suite 3000 Los Angeles, California 90033 [2]

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## **History and Background**

The California Alzheimer's Disease Center (CADC) at the University of Southern California (USC)-Los Angeles is located at the USC Health Sciences Campus in central Los Angeles. We work with the USC Memory and Aging Center and the USC Alzheimer Disease Research Center in providing advanced diagnostic and treatment services. We primarily serve Los Angeles County. Our goal is to provide participants with accurate assessments, comprehensive care plans, and access to leading-edge clinical trials and research.

### **Clinical Services**

USC-Los Angeles CADC clinicians bring progressive methods to identify and treat early memory decline and to distinguish between normal aging, mild cognitive impairment, and dementia. We have caring and culturally sensitive staff to assist English and Spanish speaking individuals and their families throughout the process.

## **Economic Development and Professional Training**

California state funding enables us to attract new resources into the local economy expanding on this investment by at least 6-fold. These include federal research funds, support from non-profits and industry for clinical trials, specialized research, autopsy research, training, and private foundation grants. The USC-Los Angeles CADC has helped to build a vital workforce for our Los Angeles community, support the federally-funded USC ADRC, and provide advanced training for health care professionals, thus improving their skills.

## **Community Education**

We provide education programs for the community, families and caregivers focusing on memory decline, prevention, and management of cognitive impairment.

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## **INFORMATION ABOUT THE CLINIC**

#### Referrals

Referrals from physicians, other healthcare providers, and agencies are encouraged.

#### Costs

Costs for diagnostic evaluations and professional services may vary on an individual basis. Please contact us for more information. Often, tests performed outside of our CADC may be necessary to complete a diagnostic workup, such as laboratory tests and/or brain scans.

#### Staff

- Lon Schneider, M.D., Director
- Sonia Pawluczyk, M.D., Psychiatrist
- Bryan Spann, D.O., Ph.D., Neurologist
- Mauricio Becerra, Patient Care Manager
- Karen Dagerman, M.S., Administrator
- John Danner, L.C.S.W., Social Worker
- Nadine Diaz, M.S.W., Social Worker
- Maya Slowinska, Patient Care Coordinator
- Liberty Teodoro, R.N., Nurse
- Liz Trejo, Psychometrician

### **Opportunities to Participate in Research**

Our patients have opportunities to participate in research studies of the USC Alzheimer Disease Research Center, including clinical trials of new drugs, evaluation of new ways of treating and diagnosing Alzheimer disease, genetic studies, and brain tissue donation research. Depending on eligibility participants may be invited to take part in these studies.

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